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Food Processing Ingredients Market Report

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Report Highlights:

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SECTION 1: MARKET SUMMARY

South Africa's agro-food and beverages processing sector, serving a population of about 51 million, remains a significant component of the manufacturing economy. The sector is developed, highly concentrated and competitive, producing high quality and niche products for local and international markets. The agro-processing (food and beverages) industry contributed \$24 million between January-August 2012, an annual percentage change of 12 percent. The sector has a number of competitive advantages, including preferential access in the Customs Union for Southern African Customs Union countries, in the United States through the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA), and Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) with Southern African Development Community (SADC) and with the European Union (EU).

This South African sector offers U.S. exporters opportunities to supply raw materials or inputs for food processors. However, according to importers and buyers, the key factors to supplying to this market are competitive pricing, good quality products, and consistency in both quality and availability. It is important to know that the sector is divided into several subsectors: Canned and prepared meats; dairy products; canned fruit and vegetables; fish products; vegetables and animal oils and fats; baked products; sugar confectionery and cocoa; roasted peanuts and other nuts; coffee roasting, tea blending and packaging; animal feeds; beverages such as distilleries and wineries; and soft drinks.

This industry is dominated by a few very large, diversified, national and multinational food manufacturers, who have established market shares and control both production capacity and sales in most food categories. These conglomerates tend to be involved in a number of food groups, as well as in the production and retailing these products. New and smaller processors play an important role and continue to change the competitive environment of food processing in South Africa despite their limited market share.

Additionally, big multinational companies, such as Nestle (Switzerland), Unilever-Unifoods (UK), and Borden (US), operate their own manufacturing plants in South Africa, which produce and market their well-known brands. Other multinationals companies do not have processing facilities, but have arrangements with local manufacturers. For example, branded packaged foods of Knorr are manufactured under license by Robertson's, a major South African spice packer and food processor.

Many South African companies have formed associations with international companies, giving South Africa access to the latest technology and expertise. Examples of these are Simba and Frito-Lay (US), Robertson's and Best Foods (US), NCD Clover and Danone (France); and H. J. Heinz (US) and Pioneer Foods South Africa which formed a joint venture company Heinz Foods South Africa (SA). This allows foreign companies penetration into the local market.

Food companies are among the largest holders of intellectual property rights (Unilever, Proctor & Gamble, and Nestle being the top three in South Africa), which involve patented processes, products, equipment, packaging technology, and trademarks.

Although there are over 1,800 food production companies, the top ten are responsible for 70 percent of the industry's turnover. South Africa's key players include national and multinational companies such as Tiger Brands, AVI, Premier Foods, Pioneer Foods, FoodCorp, First SA Foods, Nestle, Clover SA,

Parmalat SA, Rainbow, Kellogg's SA, and South African Breweries. All of these food processors depend on formal retail chains to sell their manufactured products.

Massmart/Walmart, a retail group invested in a portfolio of focused wholesale and retail chains which distribute well known brands of food, liquor and general merchandise to a broad range of consumers in thirteen countries in Southern Africa. Massmart launched some farm initiative programs to develop its sourcing capacity in fresh produce, whereby they will provide training including market linkages with approximately 1 million small holder farmers and \$1 billion in food would be sourced from them in the next five years.

Manufacturing Production and Sales

According to Statistics South Africa, the production of food and beverage manufactured products for August 2012 grew by 4.8 percent and total estimated value sales increased by 12 percent compared to June 2011.

The table below highlights food and beverage annual percentage change in volume of manufactured production and estimated value of sales:

Food and	Percentage of	Pr	oduction	Indices (base	2005=100)	Value o	f Sales (US	\$\$ thousands)	
Beverage Manufacturin g Divisions	Total SA Manufacturin g Industry	Jan - Aug 201 1	Jan - Aug 201 2	Annual % Change between 2011 and 2012	Contributio n % points	Jan – Aug 2011	Jan – Aug 2012	Annual % Change between 2011 and 2012	Differenc e in sales between 2011 and 2012
Food and beverages	15.4	111	117	4.8	0.8	21,69 5	24,30 8	12.0	2,613
Meat, fish, fruit, etc	1.8	116	120	3.0	0.1	5,754	6,348	10.3	594
Dairy products	0.8	110	117	6.4	0.1	1,924	2,195	14.1	271
Grain mill products	0.8	106	113	7.1	0.1	3,691	4,333	17.4	642
Other food products	5.2	111	115	3.4	0.2	5,076	5,616	10.6	540
Beverages	6.8	111	117	5.7	0.4	5,250	5,816	10.8	566

Source: Statistics South Africa

Advantages and Challenges for U.S. Exporters

Advantages	Challenges
To sell directly to processors, local	South Africa is a strong food producer.
importers/agents and/or directly to	
distribution centers.	
South Africans are developing a taste for	Consumers may need to be educated in preparing and
western foods and are willing to try new	eating products.
products.	
The growing food processing ingredients	Already acquired tastes and preferences for traditional
industry needs imported food and	locally produced products.
beverage products.	

South Africa is the gateway for regional markets.	Competition is stiff from other countries and locally produced products.
Established agro-processing industry.	While sophisticated for a developing country, much of the latest U.S. technology is far beyond the horizons of even the most richly-resourced SA food companies.
South African processors and importers seek suppliers who can offer reliable and quality products at competitive prices.	Challenge for U.S. suppliers to respond to trade inquiries in a timely fashion. Also South Africa is a smaller market and may not be able to deal in the volumes that U.S. companies are used to.
South African consumers view U.S. products as high quality.	Limited knowledge of processors and consumers of the variety and quality of U.S. products.
English is one of the 11 official South African languages and virtually everyone is proficient in English.	Processors already have long-standing relationships with European suppliers due to historical ties.

SECTION 2: ROAD MAP FOR MARKET ENTRY

Entry Strategy

New U.S. exporters in this market need to fully understand the food processors' needs and how best to meet their purchasing requirements and specifications. They should consider the following when planning to enter the market:

- South Africa has a strong domestic food processing industry, but continues to imports food ingredients and additives from all over the world.
- Will the price for U.S. products be competitive with other suppliers?
- The food processor's purchasing policy, i.e. whether it buys directly from overseas suppliers or via local importers/agents.
- It is important to note that some companies prefer to buy through local agents because they are better positioned to deal with any quality problems encountered by the buyer immediately.
- The financial strength of the targeted food processor, the geographical network of its target markets, level of demand for imported food ingredients, level of R&D activities and investments into new product introduction, and level of interest in using new ingredients from the United States.

There is also a recent trend that indicates that large food processing companies prefer to source their food ingredients directly from overseas suppliers instead of using local agents because they can:

• Benefit from cost savings when buying in bulk from the overseas suppliers.

• Control the quality of the ingredients they obtain.

Smaller South African food processors tend to prefer to purchase from local agents because they can:

- Obtain better service from the local agent who buys large quantities from overseas.
- They require small quantities of food ingredients.
- Local suppliers make it more convenient for processors to deal with quality issues.

Company Profiles

A table below provides information on South Africa's major national and multinational food processing groups.

Company and	Estimated	End-use-	Production	Procurement
Product types	Sales	channels	Location	Channels
Troduct types	(US\$	chamicis	Bocation	
	million)			
Tiger Brands is a branded fast moving	\$1,303	Wholesaler/	South Africa,	Direct/
consumer packaging goods and healthcare	Ψ1,505	Retail/HRI	Cameroon,	Agents
company that operates mainly in South		Retain/TilXI	Kenya, and	rigeries
Africa. It is listed on the Johannesburg			Zimbabwe	
Securities Exchange (JSE) South Africa with			Zimbaowe	
about a 53 percent market share. Tiger				
Brands operates in the Milling and Baking;				
groceries, confectionery (snacks and treats),				
beverages, value added meat products, fruit				
and vegetables, and Out of Home Solutions of				
the food services sector industries. Some of				
the well known brand names includes All				
Gold, Black cat, Cross and Blackwell,				
Energade, Enterprize, Fattis & Monnis,				
Mabele Meal, Jungle oats, King Korn, Halls,				
Koo, Lucky Star, Morvite, Oros, and Tastic				
Rice. Following financial figures reflected are				
until March 2012.				
uniin March 2012.				
Grain				
Milling and Baking = \$431				
Other Grains = \$156				
Other Grains – \$130				
Consumer Brands				
Groceries = \$257				
Confectionery (Snacks and Treats) = \$113				
Beverages = \$80				
Value Added Meat Products = \$96				
Out of Home Solution = \$21				
Exports (canned fruit and vegetables, which				
includes the deciduous fruit) = \$149				
includes the deciduous ffult) – \$149				
http://www.tigerbrands.com				
http://www.tigerorands.com				
ASTRAL FOODS LTD is a leading South	\$1,046	Wholesaler/	South Africa,	Direct/Agents
African poultry producer of animal feeds,	(2010	Retail/HRI	an subsidiaries	
production and sale of day old chicks, and	turnover)		in Mauritius,	
hatching eggs and sales and distribution of			Mozambique,	
various key poultry brands. Brand names			Swaziland and	

include Astral Foods, Country Pair Ross Poultry, Earlybird, Festive Chicken, Goldi Chicken, Meadow Feeds, National Chicks, Tiger Animal Feeds. www.astralfoods.com			Zambia	
AVI Group is listed on the JSE. It is comprised of trading subsidiaries that manufacture, process, market and distribute branded consumer products in the food, beverage and fashion categories. This report concentrates only on food and beverages. Food categories include groceries, frozen and fresh to market. Groceries (Tea, coffee, biscuits and snacks) Frozen (fish farming, fish and seafood products) Fresh to market (fresh and canned vegetables, especially mushrooms, and juices) AVI is responsible for many of South Africa's favorite brands such as I & J, Five Roses tea, Bakers cookies, Baumann's cookies, Ellis Brown creamer, Ciro Coffee, Koffiehuis Coffee, Frisco coffee, House of Coffee,	\$1,046 (2011 turnover)	Wholesaler/ Retail/HRI		Direct/ Agents
Freshpack, Provita, Pyotts, Willard's potato chips, and Juice brands includes Sir Juice, The Real Juice, and Quali Juice. www.avi.co.za				
Premier Foods is one of South Africa's largest manufacturer, distributors and marketer of milling and baking products. Categories include maize/corn, bread, wheat and rice. The company carries five of the top 20 of South Africa consumer brands. www.premierfoods.com Premier Fishing is a subsidiary of Sekunjalo Foods. Sekunjalo's product categories include organic aquaculture (fertilizers and organic abalone farming), and fishing (processors of lobster, squid and hake.	Not available	Retail/ Convenience Stores		Direct/ Agents
Pioneer Foods Group Ltd is one of the leading food manufacturers in South Africa and a diversified dominant player of the staple food and value-added products. The company products categories include baking aids or cake mixes; groceries, tea/coffee, breakfast cereals, biscuits, condiments, juices and acidic drinks, dried fruits, eggs and broiler rearing, and animal feeds. Some of leading brands include Bokomo, Ceres Juice, Heinz, HP Sauce, Liqui-fruit, Nova Feeds, John West,	\$2,247 (2010 turnover)	Distribution Center/ Wholesalers/ Retail/HRI		Direct/ Agents

SAD, Safari, Sasko, Weet-Bix, etc				
www.pnr.co.za				
FoodCorp Pty Ltd produces and distributes ingredients for staple foods and other fast moving consumer goods. Products range includes consumer brands such as groceries, milling, baking, processing of fish, beverages, pie, with high-end specialty ready to eat meals which are produced and distributed by two Sub-divisions of Specialty and Meal Solutions. Brand names includes Canola Oil, Fifers Bakery, Gourmet Foods, Glenryk, Mageu Number 1, Nola, Ouma Rusks, Pieman's, Ruto Mills, Sunbake, Super Mabela, Superting, and Yum Yum. http://www.foodcorp.co.za/	Not available	Wholesaler/ Retail/HRI	South Africa	Direct/ Agents
Clover Industries Ltd, listed with the JSE since December 2010 is the largest dairy group in South Africa - dairy products categories includes cream, milk/flavored milk, condensed milk, yoghurts, cheese, health teas, butter/spreads, desserts, and beverages such as fruit juices, nectars, and ice teas. http: www.clover.co.za	\$818 (2011 turnover)	Distribution Center /Retail/HRI	South Africa with subsidiaries in Botswana, Namibia, Swaziland, and West Africa.	Direct/ Agents
Unilever South Africa Holdings Pty Ltd a subsidiary of Unilever Plc., Manufactures fast moving consumer goods (fmcg's) in foods, home and personal care products product lines includes (spices, sauces, dressings, , margarine, teas, syrups, and food solutions). Food solutions works with caterers, restaurants, hotels and fast food chains. www.unilever.co.za	Not available	Distribution Center /Retail/HRI	South Africa	Direct/ Agents
Rainbow Chicken Ltd, South Africa's producer and marketer of chicken products. Subsidiaries of Rainbow Chicken Ltd include Rainbow Farms Pty Ltd, Rainbow Chicken Foods (Pty) Ltd, and Vector Logistics (Pty) Ltd. Rainbow brands include own brand, farmer brown, bonny bird, and rainbow food solutions, and vector logistic solutions. It also produces dealer own brands for some retailers and wholesalers. http://www.rainbowchicken.co.za/	\$1,078 (2011 turnover)	Distribution Center/Wholesaler/Retail/ HRI	South Africa	Direct/Agents
Parmalat South Africa is owned by Parmalat SpA – an Italian dairy company. It is a leader in the South African dairy industry. Their products include milk, yoghurt, ice cream, cheese, and fruit juices. http://www.parmalat.co.za	Not available	Distribution Center /Distributor/Wholesaler/ Retail/HRI	South Africa, Botswana, Mozambique, Swaziland, and Zambia	Direct/Agent

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Kellogg Company of South Africa Pty Ltd is the world's largest manufacturer of Ready-To-Eat cereals, and the market leaders in South Africa in the ready-to-eat cereals business. Their products category includes breakfast cereals, cookies/crackers, natural/organic/frozen, and specialty cereals. www.kelloggs.co.za	Not available	Distributor/ Wholesaler/ Retail	South Africa	Direct/ Agent
SAB Miller PLC, one of the world's largest brewers, also one of the world's largest bottlers of Coca Cola products. It operates seven breweries in South Africa and dominates the local brewing industry with a market share of about 90 percent. 70% of SAB's income is derived from beer, with the rest coming from soft drinks and sorghum beer. The wine industry is also relatively large, ranked eighth in world output. www.sabmiller.com	\$2,426 (2011 turnover)	Wholesaler/ Retail/ HRI	South Africa and Namibia	Direct/ Agent
Distell Group Ltd, partly owned by SABMiller is South Africa's leading finewine, spirits, and ready-to-drink (RTD) alcoholic beverage producer, marketer and distributor. The group is South Africa's leading producer and marketer of wines, spirits and flavored alcoholic beverages. Amarula cream liqueur (the world's most consumed) being one of its major exporting product. 76 percent production occurs in South Africa including distribution with sales offices in Angola, Botswana, Mauritius, Namibia, Swaziland, Europe, North and Latin America, including Asia. www.distell.co.za	\$1,541 (2011 turnover)	Wholesalers/ Retail/HRI	South Africa	Direct/Agent
Illovo Sugar Ltd, Africa's largest cane sugar and one of the world's lowest-cost producers. It is a subsidiary of Associated British Foods Plc., with extensive agricultural and manufacturing operations in six African countries of South Africa, Malawi, Mozambique, Swaziland, Tanzania, and Zambia producing refined and refined sugar. Illovo's 83 percent of sugar production by volume is sold into domestic or premiumpriced exports market, 12 percent sold to regional markets, with the remaining balance sold on the world free market. To boost exports Illovo looks to capitalize on tariff-free access to EU countries. www.illovosugar.com Source: Industry websites and trade press	\$1,014 (2011 turnover)	Wholesaler/ Retail/HRI/Bakers/Food processors/Minerals/Sweets	South Africa, Malawi, Mozambique, Swaziland, Tanzania, and Zambia	Direct/Agent

Source: Industry websites and trade press

Sector Trends

The South African market mirrors similar global trends related to health, convenience, and value for

money for food products.

- Global trends indicate that consumers are moving to **healthy and convenient** products that provide value.
- Another trend that has been growing for several years and continues to grow is demand for **convenience foods**. This is led by an increasing number of households where both partners work and an increasing number of affluent households that can pay for convenience.
- Manufacturers calibrate towards private labels to capitalize on the growing demand of private label offerings.
- Fruit juice manufacturers import grape and apple juice for blending with own fruit juices.
- Numerous pieces of legislation impacting the sector including recent promulgated Consumer Protection Act which gives consumer the right to address to a tribunal complaints on the quality of products.
- South Africa **food processors, canners and packers** offer a good opportunity for U.S. suppliers of raw material.
- Market research confirms that consumers expect food that is not only **ready-to ea**t, but is safe, nutritious, tasty, natural, like-fresh, and feels like a good value for money.
- Sales of **organic food** are rising and retailers such as Woolworths and Pick-n-Pay capitalize on the trends and stock organic products targeting the upper Living Standard Measures (LSM). Products include free range beef, lamb, pork, and chickens including vegetables, and wine.
- Another trend is the demand for **goat-derived dairy products** which is a niche that keeps growing.
- Use of **health ingredients** in many foods and drinks which is becoming increasingly important in the food industry due to increased focus on food safety and security by the recent legislative and regulatory.
- **Flavor** developers feel food processors are overly risk averse and lack insight into changing demographics and consumer habits. Opportunity and growth, they concur, lie in developing 'cross-over' or fusion products and flavor profiles for the newly empowered black market that wants to keep in touch with traditional roots but aspires to previously unaffordable foods.
- Kosher and Halaal foods products are a niche that keeps growing.

SECTION 3: COMPETITION

The U.S. exporters face stiff competition, especially from European countries, Argentina, Brazil and Thailand. The United States is the fourth largest supplier of agricultural, fish and forestry products to South Africa. The rising domestic demand and the inability of local producers to meet it are creating opportunities for imported products. As a result, the sophisticated and expanded middle to upper income groups which have an appetite for foreign tastes and flavors are a major target for imported products.

Imports of Selected Ag, Bulk and Intermediary Products in US Dollars: January – July 2012

Product Category	Major	Strengths of key Supply	Advantages and Disadvantages of
	Supply	Countries	Local Suppliers
	Sources		
Red Meats	Australia –	The pattern of imports in this	South Africa produces a very high quality
Fresh/Chilled/Frozen	28%	category is variable and depends	beef with the domestic undersupply made
	Germany-	largely on local conditions,	up with imported meat and meat
Net imports from the world of	20%	including quality and competitive	products.

\$113 million in 2012 versus \$292 million in 2011. Note: SA net exports were \$17 million in 2012 versus \$31 in 2011.	Canada – 14% USA is an irrelevant supplier of 0.20%	price by the suppliers. Germany a leading supplier due to Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with South Africa as a member of the European Union.	
Poultry Meat Net imports of \$230 million in 2012 versus \$202 million in 2011. Note: SA net exports were \$8 million in 2012 versus \$15 million in 2011.	Brazil – 44% Netherlands – 18% United Kingdom – 9% USA is a minor supplier with 4% market share.		Domestic demand for poultry meat is growing and outpaces the performance of any other proteins on the market. Domestic producers are unable to meet consumption needs. South Africa's major chicken producers are Astral foods, Rainbow Chickens, Pioneer Foods, Sovereign and Dagbreek.
Turkey Meat Net imports of \$22 million in 2012 versus \$20 million in 2011. Note: SA net exports were \$300 million in 2012 versus \$439 million in 2011.	Brazil – 62% USA – 13% Australia – 11%	With the growing trend towards healthier lifestyles, turkey products are becoming popular.	South Africa is a net importer of turkey meat products. Not enough local production since turkey meat is a South African favorites or commonly consumed except during Christmas time. However, the trend is changing as they start to make regular appearance in restaurant menus.
Fish and Seafood Products Net imports of \$197 million in 2012 versus \$140 million in 2011. Note: SA net exports were \$300 million in 2012 versus \$333 million in 2011.	Thailand – 45% India – 11% China – 10% USA is a minor supplier of 2%.	Despite being a net exporter, South Africa imports continue to increase to supplement domestic demands.	Major South African fish traders and processors are Sea Harvest (owned by Tiger brands); Irvin and Johnson (AVI), Oceana, Premier Foods, and Sekunjalo.
Dairy Products excluding cheese Net imports of \$92 million in 2012 versus \$61 million in 2011. Note: SA net exports were \$55 million in 2012 versus \$49 million 2011.	New Zealand – 23% France – 22% Ireland – 10% USA - 9%.	South Africa imports continue to increase to supplement domestic	South Africa is a net importer of dairy products particularly whey, concentrated milk and cream to supplement insufficient domestic production.
Pulses Net imports of \$56 million in 2012 versus \$53 million in 2011. Note: SA net exports were \$4 million in 2012 versus \$3 million in 2011.	China – 65% Canada – 10% Ethiopia – 5% USA a minor supplier of 2%.	agreement with South Africa. Domestic production is insufficient to cover local demand so imports supplement domestic	South Africa is a net importer of pulses. Pulses are an important protein source in South Africans diet and imports make up for the shortfall between domestic production and demand. Also, pulses are highly seasonal imported from November – March in 50kg bags. Pulses are used in South Africa by manufacturer for further processing of soups and broths.

Vegetable Oils Exc. Soybean oil Net imports of \$455 million in 2012 versus \$448 million in 2011.	Malaysia — 30% Indonesia — 28% Argentina — 18%	Shortages of oils are supplemented with unrefined oil imports which are refined and packaged by local oil expressers. Malaysia provides quality and competitive prices.	South Africa is a net importer of edible oil productions. Local producers are unable to meet demand due to crop size. Shortages of oils are supplemented
Note: SA net exports were \$55 million in 2012 versus \$70 million in 2011.	USA a minor supplier of 0.61%		
Sugar/Sweetener/Beverage Bases Net imports of \$81 million in 2012 versus \$51 million in 2011. Note: SA net exports were \$66	Brazil – 50% China – 11% Thailand – 8% USA - 7%	A growing domestic demand calls for imported products from competitive suppliers to supplements.	South Africa is a leading producer and a net exporter of sugar related products. Local production is sufficient to meet demand.
million in 2012 versus \$52 million in 2011.			
Breakfast Cereal/Pancake Mix Net imports of \$13 million in 2012 versus \$16 million in 2011.	Thailand — 27% Germany — 18% France — 12%	Imports from competitive suppliers supplements supply.	South Africa is a net exporter of breakfast cereal products. Local production is sufficient to meet demand.
Note: SA net exports were \$17 million in both 2012 and 2011.	USA - 9%		
Fruit & Vegetable Juices Net imports of \$68 million in 2012 versus \$35 million in 2011. Note: SA net exports were \$117 million in 2012 versus	China – 47% Argentina – 34% Spain – 4% USA a minor supplier of	Potential exports to South Africa are for exotic fruit and vegetables such as berries, kiwi fruits, including off season fruit and vegetables from competitive suppliers.	South Africa is a net exporter and self- sufficient in basic fruit and vegetable requirements.
\$120 million in 2011.	0.38%		
Processed Fruit & Vegetables Net imports of \$99 million in 2012 versus \$92 million in 2011.	China – 22% Belgium – 12% Italy – 11%	Opportunities exist for competitive suppliers of grape and apple juice which are used as a base for other fruit juices, prepared and preserved tomatoes, and fruit pulp.	South Africa is a net exporter, and domestic production is sufficient to cover local demand.
Note: SA net exports were \$226 million in 2012 versus \$229 million in 2011.	USA - 6%.		
Wine and Beer Net imports of \$33 million in 2012 versus \$28 million in 2011.	Italy – 39% France – 29% Netherlands – 15%	Due to the rapid increase in exports of South African wines which creates a niche for specialty wines and beers from competitive suppliers.	South Africa is a net exporter of wine and beer, particularly wine of fresh grapes. The South African wine industry is relatively large and extensive ranked seventh in world output. South Africans' tastes and preferences are becoming more sophisticated and the average consumer is
Note: SA net exports were \$415 million in 2012 versus \$436 million in 2011.	USA is a minor supplier of 0.16%.		increasingly expecting a wide range of wine and beer.

Distilled spirits	United	1 *	South Africa is a net importer of distilled
	Kingdom –	preferences of South Africans	spirits particularly whiskies. Local
	70%	calls for a range of whiskey	production is not enough to meet local
Net imports of \$162 million in	United States	products. UK continues to be	demand.
2012 versus \$176 million in	- 7%	leading trade supplier of this	
2011.	Ireland – 6%	category. Despite lack of brand	
		awareness of U.S. whisky	
		products among south African	
Note: SA net exports were \$62		consumers, U.S. saw increased in	
million n 2012 versus \$56		whisky exports.	
million in 2011.			

SECTION 4: BEST PRODUCT PROSPECTS

A. Products in the market with good sales potential

South Africa is known for its well developed food processing sector which produces a wide range of processed food products, the local production is not enough so opportunities exist for imports to supplement the needs. Despite stiff competition from the EU countries which in most instances benefits from low import tariff rate to enter the South African market, the American brands are becoming increasingly popular given their high quality attributes including price.

Product Category	Jan – July 2012 South Africa Imports from the World (\$1,000,000)	Jan – July 2012 U.S. Exports to S.A. (\$1,000,000)	Percentage of Annual Import Growth U.S.	U.S. Import Tariff Rate	Key Constraints Over Market Development	Market Attractiveness for U.S.
Almonds (shelled nuts) HS080212	7	6.4	55	free	free from the EU countries	U.S. has largest market share of 93% due to quality and price. South Africa produces only macadamias and pecan nuts.
Salmon HS160411	538	343	-62	6c/kg	6c/kg	U.S. has the largest market share of 64%.
Glucose and Glucose Syrup HS170240	4.2	3.8	1.56	free	Free from the EU countries	U.S. has the largest market share of 89%.
Protein Concentrates HS210610	5.4	3.1	27	10-20%	EU countries import tariff rate to enter South Africa is free to 2.6%	U.S. has the largest market share of 58%.
Food Preparations HS210690	91	17	2.65	Varied from free, 5-20%, and 154c/liter for alcoholic preparations.	Varied and from the EU countries import tariff rate is free to 2.6%.	U.S. has the largest market share of 19%.
Baking	7	3	-22.81	30%	From the EU	U.S. has the largest

powders (baking inputs) HS210230					market share of 45%.
Sauces, condiments and seasonings HS210390	11	4	83.76	countries	U.S. has the largest market share of 31%.

B. Products not present in significant quantities but have good sales potential

Selected products below including products not currently available or known about in South Africa have good sales potential. Despite stiff competition from the EU countries which in most instances benefits from low import tariff rate to enter the South African market, American brands are becoming increasingly popular among South African consumers given their high quality attributes including price.

Product Category	Jan – Aug 2012 South Africa Imports from the World (\$1,000,000)	Jan – Aug 2012 U.S. Exports to S.A. (\$1,000,000)	Percentage of Annual Import Growth U.S.	U.S. Import Tariff Rate	Key Constraints Over Market Development	Market Attractiveness for U.S.
Sausage casings (HS0504)	46	6	109.15	free		South Africa is a net importer of sausage casing products. The import tariff rate is free from both the U.S and the EU countries. USA has 14% market share after China with 63%.
Flour and meal of dried leguminous vegetables (HS1106)	373	42	15.23	Free to 20%	From EU countries free to 2.6%	U.S has a market share of 11%.
Malt (HS1107)	34	9	28.63	Free to 3%	EU free to 0,111c/kg	U.S. has a 25% market share.
Plants of parts of plants (including seeds and fruits) (HS1211)	2	140	33.90	Free to 20%	EU countries enters duty free to 2.6%	U.S. has a 7% market share.
Vegetable Saps and Extracts (HS1302)	20	2	39.97	Free to 25%	EU countries duty free to 3.25%	U.S. has a market share of 8%.
Lard (HS1501)	47	42	-32.24	Duty free	Duty free from EU	U.S. has a market share of 89%.
Fats and oils (HS1504)	918	55	58.77	Duty free	Duty free from EU	U.S. has a market share of 6%.
Fixed vegetable fats and oils	8	913	56.47	10%	EU countries duty free to 1.3%	U.S has a market share of 12%.

(HS1515)						
Prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of cereal products (HS1904)	15	1	89.46			U.S. has a 8% market share.
Bread, pastry, cakes, and biscuits (ingredients) (HS1905)	36	2	87.08	3.6c/kg to 25%		U.S. has a 5% market share.
Ethyl alcohol, spirits, and liqueurs (HS2208)	209	15	14.34	154c/liter including additional costs of R2.31/Liter to R93.03/liter levied on customs and excise	countries	U.S. has a market share of 7% particularly on (HS220830).

C. Products not present because they face significant barriers

Product Category	Jan – Aug 2012 South Africa Imports from the World (\$1,000,000)	Jan – Aug 2012 U.S. Exports to S.A. (\$1,000,000)	Percentage of Annual Import Growth U.S.	U.S. Import Tariff Rate	Key Constraints Over Market Development	Market Attractiveness for U.S.
Chicken Cuts 020714	175	6	37.60	220c/kg	Brazil with 47.53% market and US 2.96%. The general rate of duty for this tariff is 220 c/kg in Rand. For the EU the rate is 165 c/kg and it is free for the SADC countries. The antidumping duty on product from Tyson Foods is 224 c/kg, from Gold Kist Inc it is 245 c/kg and 940 c/kg from any other United States producers. South Africa imposed the antidumping duties on Brazilian chicken in February 2012.	Consumer demand continues to increase and domestic production is not keeping up. However, prohibition of United States poultry exports to South Africa of chicken leg quarters (02071490) since 2000 are restricted by an anti-dumping duty.
Meat of Bovine frozen (0202)	18	Zero	Zero	40%	Australia with 45.20% market share to supplement imports. Beef products from SADC countries are imported into South Africa duty free.	The United States beef products into South Africa are banned since 2003.

Animal Feed	42	3	13.72	free	France with 20.34%	The U.S. has 8% of
Preparations					market share.	the market share.
(230990)						Lysine feed products
						are impacted due to
						dumping duties
						imposed on the U.S.
						since 2007

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